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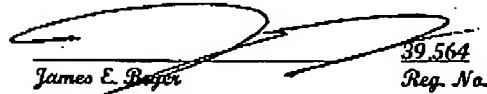
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-- Fig. 3B further illustrates that the sealing edges 30 and the corresponding gap  
50 between the lower surface 12 of the rustication 10 and the panel forming surface 40  
may be provided by defining a concave portion in the lower surface 12 of the rustication  
10. It is noted that the relative extent of the concave portion is illustrated in a reduced  
length in Fig. 3B because of the deformation imparted to the rustication 10 by the load of